Amendments to the Specification:

[Para 11] Function keys are provided for selecting different functions ~~In~~ in a standard QWERTY computer keyboard. Similar function keys have not been available for Braille keyboards.

[Para 32] ~~he~~ The positioning of each function key adjacent and above a different dot key enables a user to quickly locate and depress a desired function key without having to remove the hands from the Braille keyboard. More particularly, a user operates dot keys 12a-d and function keys 15a-d with the left hand and dot keys 12e-h and function keys 15e-h with the right hand. Advantageously, each function key has a small, point-like structure to distinguish it from the flat, generally rectangular structure of its associated dot key. Moreover, a space is provided between each dot key and its associated function key. More particularly, each function key is disposed above and in spaced apart relation to its associated dot key as depicted. The left-hand dot keys 12a-d are aligned substantially in side-by-side relation to one another in a single left row, and the right-hand dot keys 12e-h are also aligned substantially in side-by-side relation to one another in a single right row. The single left row and the single right row are in side-by-side alignment with one another. Cursor router key 14 is positioned between the left-hand and right-hand dot keys as mentioned above, and is also in the same row as said left-hand and right-hand dot keys. In this way, cursor router key 14 is equally accessible by a user's left hand or right hand, there being no need for a user to reach above or below said single row of dot keys to gain access to said cursor router key.

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